Durant, Jennah

From: Durant, Jennah

Sent: Tuesday, November 08, 2016 12:46 PM

To: Gray, David Cc: Hubbard, Joseph

Subject: RE: Bird Creek, Pawhuska, Okla--media inquiry

OK. I will send to the reporter.

From: Gray, David

Sent: Tuesday, November 08, 2016 12:43 PMTo: Durant, Jennah < Durant.Jennah@epa.gov>Cc: Hubbard, Joseph < Hubbard.Joseph@epa.gov>Subject: RE: Bird Creek, Pawhuska, Okla--media inquiry

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From: Durant, Jennah

Sent: Tuesday, November 08, 2016 12:25 PM **To:** Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>

Cc: Hubbard, Joseph < Hubbard.Joseph@epa.gov Subject: RE: Bird Creek, Pawhuska, Okla--media inquiry

Willie in water enforcement concurred on this draft. ODEQ learned recently that the city of Pawhuska diverted their intake to another source as a precautionary measure.

EPA is working with the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality to investigate elevated levels of total soluble salts (TSS) in an upper tributary of Bird Creek in Osage County, Oklahoma. EPA has been monitoring water quality in the creek and has collected samples to help identify the source of the high TSS water. No impacts to public water systems have been indicated. EPA will continue working to identify the source and pathway of contamination.

From: Gray, David

Sent: Monday, November 07, 2016 3:58 PM
To: Durant, Jennah < <u>Durant.Jennah@epa.gov</u> >
Cc: Hubbard, Joseph < <u>Hubbard.Joseph@epa.gov</u> >
Subject: Re: Bird Creek, Pawhuska, Okla--media inquiry

Would draft a statment for us?

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 7, 2016, at 3:47 PM, Durant, Jennah < Durant. Jennah @epa.gov> wrote:

This appears to be related to the issue Cary brought up this morning. Do you want to handle, or should we?

From: Lane, Willie

Sent: Monday, November 07, 2016 3:44 PM

To: Durant, Jennah < Durant.Jennah@epa.gov>; Hubbard, Joseph < Hubbard.Joseph@epa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: Bird Creek, Pawhuska, Okla

Inquiry I stopped by about.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Louise Red Corn < louise@bighearttimes.com>

Date: November 7, 2016 at 2:55:16 PM CST

To: <lane.willie@epa.gov>

Subject: Bird Creek, Pawhuska, Okla

Dear Mr. Lane:

Per our conversation, I am seeking information about a reported saltwater leak in Bird Creek, Osage County, Okla., that is affecting the water supply for the City of Pawhuska and perhaps others.

I am amenable to talk to your press people at any time but Tuesday from about 11-1130. My cell is 918-287-7300 and my office number is 918-847-2916.

My deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday but I am sure I'll follow up so if no one can comment until after that deadline that is fine.

Thank you very much!

Louise Red Corn

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